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SUBJ: POSSIBLE MAB PROGRAM OF STUDY AND INTERACTION

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1. AMERICAN UNIVERSITY AND THE MARINE SCIENCE CONSORTIUM HAVE DEVELOPED A PROPOSAL FOR AN EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM CONSISTING OF THREE PROJECTS. ALTHOUGH EACH PROPOSED PROJECT CAN BE OFFERED INDEPENDENTLY, THE THREE TOGETHER OFFER A LOGICAL SEQUENCE DESIGNED TO DERIVE MAXIMUM BENEFIT FROM INTERACTIONS WITH KEY PERSONNEL IN DEVELOPING NATIONS, AND FROM CLOSELY COORDINATED TEAMWORK BY THE ADVISORS/INSTRUCTORS OF THE PROJECTS. EACH PROJECT DEALS WITH RESEARCH IN AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS AND EMPHASIZES INTEGRATION OF POLICY-MAKING, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC VIEWPOINTS. A SYSTEMS APPROACH IS COMMON TO ALL PROJECTS AND REGIONAL MANAGEMENT IS STRESSED THROUGHOUT.

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THE PROJECTS ARE:

A. A SEVEN-DAY SHORT COURSE FOR APPROXIMATELY 40 LEADERS IN THE FIELD OF AQUATIC RESOURCE RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT OF DEVELOPING NATIONS, TO BE HELD AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C. -- APPROXIMATELY \$20,000

B. A FIVE-WEEK INTENSIVE COURSE "MAN AND THE BIOSPHERE WORKSHOP ON RESEARCH AND DATA ANALYSIS IN AQUATIC ECOSYSTEMS" OFFERED TO 36 INTERMEDIATE LEVEL SCIENTISTS, SOCIO-ECONOMISTS AND PLANNERS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, TO BE HELD AT AQUATIC RESEARCH CENTERS. -- APPROXIMATELY \$60,000

C. A TRAVELING TEAM OF 4 EXPERTS, IN COOPERATION WITH HOST COUNTRY NATIONALS, DESIGNING AND OFFERING THREE SIX-WEEK COURSES "MANAGEMENT OF AQUATIC ENVIRONMENTS" SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED FOR AND PRESENTED IN SELECTED DEVELOPING NATIONS. -- APPROXIMATELY \$150,000

2. THE THREE PROJECTS WOULD BE CONDUCTED SEPARATELY IN TIME RATHER THAN BE IMMEDIATELY SEQUENTIAL. THIS WOULD ENABLE INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING IN THE FIRST PROJECT TO GO BACK TO THEIR COUNTRIES AND SELECT CANDIDATES FOR THE SECOND PROJECT. THE THIRD PROJECT SOMEWHAT LATER WOULD BE IN THE NATURE OF AN IN-COUNTRY REFRESHER AND ADAPTATION TO LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES. AFTER THE INITIAL OFFERING IN THE U.S., MODIFICATIONS COULD BE MADE AND THE PROGRAM MADE AVAILABLE FOR USE ELSEWHERE.

3. THE COSTS INDICATED ABOVE DO NOT INCLUDE FOREIGN TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE U.S. WE WOULD LIKE DI CASTRI'S VIEWS ON THE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER UNESCO COULD OBTAIN PARTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR IT. IF THIS IS POSSIBLE, WE WOULD APPROACH POTENTIAL FUNDING AGENCIES IN THE U.S. FOR THE REMAINDER OF REQUIRED SUPPORT.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE AN IMMEDIATE REPLY SO WE CAN GET STARTED ON SEEKING SUPPORT, WITH THE INTENT, IF POSSIBLE, OF MAKING AN ANNOUNCEMENT AT THE SEPTEMBER

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